



Request for Submissions: Tipton County Public Library Pedestrian Crossing Mural Project

Tipton Main Street and Tipton County Public Library seek artists to design and paint a pedestrian crossing connecting the Library to the parking lot across Madison Street. They seek artists who can design engaging, inspiring and family-friendly imagery to embellish the crossing. The crossing will be painted in the fall of 2018. Tipton Main Street will provide the materials and volunteer support.

PROJECT GUIDELINES:

- Develop a design that can be installed within one day (with help of volunteers).
- Coordinate and oversee the installation process, including assisting committee members in managing volunteers and working quickly and efficiently with the materials provided.
- Collaborate with Tipton Main Street and Tipton County Public Library to create a design and an installation process that is inspiring, inviting, inclusive and fun.
- Design must use library colors – Inspiration Blue, Energetic Green, Hemingway Gray, Storybook Purple, Skylight Red, and White.



- This project must be completed efficiently and timely. The deadline is September 17th (this deadline is weather-dependent – extensions and rain dates will be allocated as needed).
- Artist should be able to meet physical demands, including but not limited to, bending, stooping kneeling on asphalt, reaching, and lifting 5-gallon buckets.
- Artist should be able to work outside in a range of weather conditions. Committee members will endeavor to provide access to shelter, but the crossing is an outdoor feature, and artist must be prepared to work in cold, heat, wind, and other inclement conditions. Rain will cause the project to be delayed.

PROJECT BUDGET:

This project will carry a commission fee of \$500 for pedestrian crossing design, for development of the design, installation plan, and oversight of the installation of the design. This fee is to cover all of the artist's compensation and anticipated expenses, including but not limited to, design fees and labor. Payment will be made in one installment upon completion of the project. Tipton Main Street will coordinate with the artist to select and purchase materials appropriate to the project.

RESOURCES:

Tipton County Public Library Pedestrian Crossing
127 E. Madison St

12 feet wide by 40 feet long

SELECTION PROCESS

Artists must submit their application materials to the Tipton County Public Library **by 5:00pm on Friday, August 3rd, 2018**. Representatives from Tipton County Public Library and Tipton Main Street will review submitted materials and select up to three finalists to interview further.

Note: While this is the intended selection process, in the event of an insufficient number of qualified applicants, Tipton Main Street & Tipton County Public Library reserve the right to invite an artist to propose a design or directly select an artist and also reserve the right to cancel the opportunity entirely at any point and for any reason.

POLICIES:

The ownership of design ideas submitted with this application remain the ownership of the artist/performer, until a selection has been made and a contract signed. The artwork produced will be owned by Tipton County, and images of my work may be used in publicity for the Tipton County Public Library and/or Tipton County.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

Finalists will be selected based upon the following criteria:

Technical Ability: Artist's submission indicates professionalism, skill with materials and techniques, and indicates the capacity to meet the requirements of this project.

Artistic Quality: Artist's past work is appropriate to its context, innovative, creative and stylistically distinctive.

PROJECT TIMELINE

This timeline represents the project as it now appears. Changes may be necessary as the project progresses:

- Release Request for Submissions: **July 9th**
- Deadline for submissions: **August 3rd**
- Selection Committee Review: **August 6th -10th**
- Notification of Status: **August 10th**
- Artist interviews or other selection process: **August 14th**
- Selection of final candidate: **August 15th**
- Finalization of design and implementation plan with committee: **August 15th – Sept.10th**
- Installation of crossing mural: **Sept 17th (Oct. rain date)**

HOW TO APPLY:

Artists must submit the following information to pedxing@tiptonpl.org (please note submission materials will not be returned to applicants).

1. Applicants information:

Please include the following information in your cover letter:

- a. **Artist name**
 - b. **Mailing address, including city, state and zip code**
 - c. **Phone number**
 - d. **Email address**
 - e. **Website (if applicable)**
2. **Cover Letter:** In addition to the above contact information, please include a statement about your qualifications for this project, as well as any personal or professional connection you have to Tipton County and how that connection influences your interest in this project. Please also include a statement about how you would like to approach this project, including a brief description and a simple sketch of your design for the crossing.
3. **Examples of previous artwork:** Submit 2-10 digital images in .jpg or .pdf format of past work. Please limit the file size of each image to 2MB or less. If possible, include images of at least 1 previous project that is appropriate.
4. **Image information sheet:** Submit a sheet with the following information about each submitted project: title, date completed, client/neighborhood/site name, total artwork budget, and a brief (1-2 sentences) description of the project or piece as it relates to this project. Include a directory of which image titles you have submitted are associated with each project. (ex: for an artist named Smith: PROJECT x: Images Smith 1, Smith 2, Smith 3; PROJECT Y: Smith 4, Smith 5, Smith 6). Submit this sheet in .doc, .docx or .pdf format.

DELIVERY OF SUBMISSIONS:

Submissions may be emailed to pedxing@tiptonpl.org, or hand-delivered to Tipton County Public Library

Mailed or delivered submissions may be loaded on a single usb drive or printed. USB or printed materials must arrive at Tipton County Public Library no later than 5:00pm on Friday, **August 3rd**.

The Delivery Address is:

Attn: Jason Fields
Tipton County Public Library
127 E. Madison St
Tipton, IN 46082

Questions? Contact:

Jason Fields, Assistant Director, Tipton County Public Library: pedxing@tiptonpl.org or 765-675-8761